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“Super Tuesday” Election Races Feature Presidential Primaries

by Elaine Skolnik

Maryland Democrats and Republicans will be voting next Tuesday, March 7, for their presidential preference and delegates to their party's convention and for U. S. Senator and Representatives to Congress. For the first time in the state's history, registered voters who are “declines,” not affiliated with a political party, will have the option of voting, but in the Republican primary only. This action came about last April when the Maryland Republican party changed its bylaws.

Democrats Outnumber Republicans 4 to 1

by Mary Moien

Almost 10,000 Greenbelters are eligible to vote in the upcoming primary election on Tuesday, March 7, up about 4 percent since the last presidential election in 1996. The four Greenbelt polling locations will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Greenbelters from the center of the city, precinct 3, will vote at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. Residents in precinct 6, the North End, will vote at Greenbelt Elementary School, 66 Ridge Road; Springhill Lake voters, precinct 8, will vote at Springhill Lake Elementary School, 6060 Springhill Drive; and voters in precinct 13, Greenbelt East, will vote at Eleanor Roosevelt High School, 7601 Hanover Parkway.

This year, for the first time, registered voters who have declined to register with a specific party can vote in the Republican primary only. In Greenbelt, there are more “declines” than there are registered Republicans, so these extra voters can be very important, as was shown in the Michigan Republican primary.

In Greenbelt, Democrats outnumber Republicans by 4 to 1. Of Greenbelt's total registered voters, 65 percent are Democrats, 16 percent Republicans, and 18 percent “declines” (see chart).

Democrats outnumber Republicans by almost 2 to 1 at the State level and over 4 to 1 in Prince George's County. In the Fifth Congressional District, Democrats outnumber Republicans by more than 2 to 1.

Registration figures shown in the chart include registered persons who have voted in a recent election as well as a number who have not voted recently nor moved, but who would still be eligible to vote if they produce identification and residence information. The latter group are considered inactive voters. For most of Greenbelt, inactive registered voters represent between 13-18 percent of total registered voters. In precinct 8, however, they represent more than 40 percent, due to the more transient population in Springhill Lake Apartments.

Although there has been little campaigning in Maryland so far, the race between Republican presidential hopefuls George W. Bush and John McCain has drawn the most interest nationally. Their heated contests and see-saw finishes in states where primaries have been held and the messages coming out of them could stir voters to trek to the polls in larger numbers than earlier predicted.

With the outcome of the Virginia and Washington State primaries unknown as this story is being prepared, nor of the 15 Super Tuesday primaries and caucuses to be held next week, the crystal ball is much too cloudy to see who will be the Republican electorate's presidential preference.

Governor of Texas, Bush, age 53, was a businessman in various industries, primarily oil, and served in the Texas Air National Guard. McCain, age 63, represented Arizona in the House of Representatives from 1983 to 1986 and in the Senate from 1987 to the present. He served in the U.S. Navy and was a prisoner of war in Vietnam for six years. Alan Keyes of Darnestown, Maryland is also a Republican presidential candidate. He served as Assistant Secretary of State for International Organizational Affairs, and as U.S. Ambassador to the U.N. Economic and Social Council. Although listed on the ballot, former presidential hopefuls Orrin Hatch, Gary Bauer and Steve Forbes have withdrawn from the contest.

Besides expressing presidential preference by popular vote, voters will be electing delegates to the political parties' conventions, where they will nominate their party's standard bearer in the November presidential general election. Republican voters in Greenbelt, which is part of the

Fifth Congressional District, will choose three delegates from a field of 15 to attend their party's convention this summer in Philadelphia. Of those, county councilwoman Audrey E. Scott, who represents Greenbelt and Bowie on the Prince George's County Council, and two others are committed to Bush, three to McCain, three to Forbes, who has withdrawn, two for Keyes and four are listed without any designation.

Democratic Primary

While the Democratic contest for the presidential preference between Bill Bradley and Al Gore has been overshadowed by the Republican front-runners' bruising battles, it is expected that their upcoming debates could be vigorous and heated enough to energize the Democratic electorate. A Rhodes Scholar and former U. S. Senator from New Jersey, Bradley served three terms (18 years) in the Senate. He served in the Air Force Reserve as a first lieutenant. Gore, age 51, is in his second term as Vice-President of the United States. He formerly served eight years as a Congressman and eight years as a senator from Tennessee. During the Vietnam War he served in the U. S. Army. Lyndon H. LaRouche, Jr. of Round Hill, Virginia is also a Democratic presidential candidate. An economist and founder of the Executive Intelligence Review weekly, he has been a candidate for the presidential nomination since 1976.

On the Democratic side, voters are to select three female and three male delegates to attend the Democratic convention this summer in Los Angeles. Gore and Bradley have full slates of three for each sex. LaRouche has one female and three male delegates pledged to him. Two are Greenbelters, Kerri Kane and Hans Hopp. One male delegate is uncommitted. Maryland Delegate Joan Breslin Pitkin, who represents Greenbelt and Bowie

What Goes On

Sat., Mar. 4, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Summer Job Fair, Springhill Lake Recreation Center

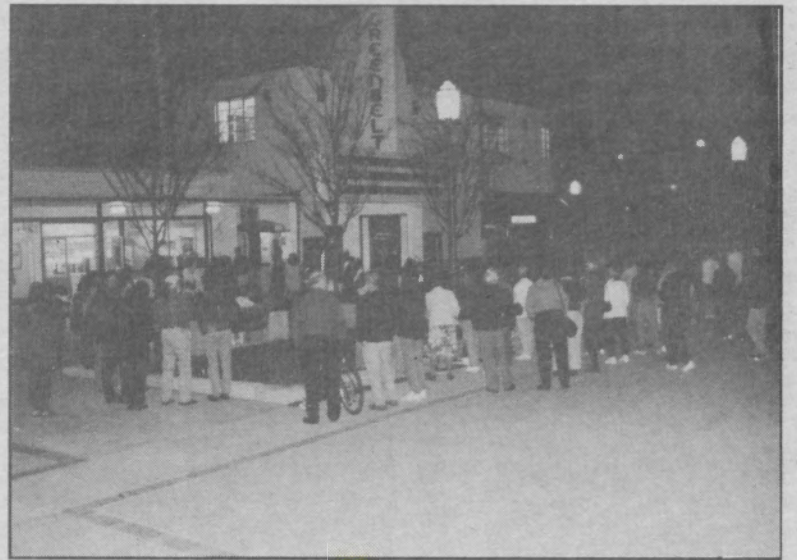
Mon., Mar. 6, 7:30 p.m. Recycling and Environment Committee, Community Center

7:30 p.m. Assisted Living Task Force, Community Center

Tue., Mar. 7, 7 a.m. - 8 p.m. Presidential Primary Election

Thur., Mar. 9, 7:30 p.m. Arts Advisory Board, Community Center

7:30 p.m. GHI Board Meeting, Hamilton Place.



The crowd begins to assemble for the marquee dedication. Chris Cherry and Stefan Brodd entertain with their music from the '30s.

- photo by Steve Catterton

New Theater Marquee Lights Up Greenbelt

by Barbara Bonham Young

Good grief, what a night for lighting the new movie house marquee! February 25 - no wind and balmy!

The mood is all lightness. Around me, more than 500 young and old Greenbelters are lounging all over Roosevelt Center, listening to duo Christopher Cherry (a city Park Ranger) and Stefan Brodd entertain on the sidewalk in front of the theater. With spirit, Cherry sings and Brodd plays the keyboard for a lot of nice 30s-era songs like “This Can't Be Love” and “Two Sleepy People.” Dorothy Sucher and I join in whenever we remember the words, and we're not bad on “These Foolish Things.” Her husband, Joe, is good on “Bei Mir Bist Du Schoen.” Surprised by the

happy strangeness of the songs, children look inquiringly from face to face among the clots of adults who are singing.

It gets to be 7 p.m., time for the ceremony. Mayor Judith Davis introduces dignitaries and city staff, then presents a tee shirt to Billy Poole who made the marquee, which is an exact replica of the 1938 original. She thanks other people and introduces theater owner Paul Sanchez and Friends of the Greenbelt Theater head, Kevin Denney. Sanchez thanks Eileen Peterson for all her help in obtaining the old letters. There's clapping for all. Theater employees Bob Haupt and Andrew Yu are wreathed in smiles.

Finally, the mayor calls up people from the audience who

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Greenway Center Parking An Issue to Many Patrons

by Barry Bernstein

Many people who work in and visit Greenway Center, a hub of shopping and eating establishments, have raised concerns about parking and other traffic problems.

“Parking is not very good in the center,” Mike Mondonedo, manager of Greenway Liquors, said. “We always get people that say it is hard to park here. Lunchtime through 6 p.m. is always very crowded and it boils down to less customer count in the store,” Mondonedo said.

Retail establishments and restaurants alike feel that traffic problems thwart their businesses most and that the leasing company, Combined Properties of Washington, needs to do a better job with maintenance.

“When it comes to rain or snow, they (Combined Properties) need to get the ice away,” Mary, a clerk at the Curiosity Shoppe, said. “We have a lot of elderly people that come over here and snow removal is vital to them visiting our store; right outside our store last year a person fell

because the snow removal was so bad,” she said.

On the other hand, some store employees at the center found nothing wrong with the parking.

“I feel that the parking is very good here at Greenway Center; it is very convenient and there are a lot more spaces than the shopping center that I work at in Towson, MD,” one person said. Some city leaders share the concern that the traffic patterns and access to parking have to be changed for the benefit of store owners and the community.

“The issue of the parking lot has to be corrected ... the way the parking lot is facing doesn't allow for a good flow of traffic,” Greenbelt City councilmember Edward Putens, said.

“We would like to get Combined Properties to the table because the center is a vital revenue source for the city,” Putens said.

Sheldon Goldberg, chairperson for the Greenbelt East Advisory Committee (GEAC), See PARKING, page 2

Make a Difference Get out and Vote!



Letters

Keep Pets Inside

Late this afternoon we looked outside at our garden, and to our amazement, we saw three ducks enjoying our pond! They must be there because their place of shelter and food, Greenbelt Lake, is being lowered. We welcome them, but we are concerned, because your cats have discovered them.

So we request that while the ducks are taking refuge on our pond, that you keep your pets inside or on a leash. Our Greenbelt Lake ducks are our treasure and deserve to be protected.

Thank you.
Janet Jacobs-Parker

Thanks for Memories

Concerning the dedication of the new Art Deco sign:

What a pleasant way to spend an evening! It was lively and full of community spirit.

Thanks for the memories.
Ruth Morris

Thanks

We are very lucky people to have available to us in time of emergency the wonderful Rescue Squad, 911, of the Fire Dept. They came to the aid of my husband Saturday night promptly, friendly and concerned and so efficiently and with care helped us out. What a blessing these young people are, smiling, and soothing anxiety. It couldn't have been done better.

Besides expressing my appreciation to them, I'm sending a thank you donation. It's the least I can do.

Pearl Siegel

Boys and Girls Club 2000 Intramural Basketball Playoffs

March Madness!
Wed., March 8

Game 1 6 p.m.—4th v. 5th

Game 2 7:15 p.m.—3rd v. 2nd

Fri, March 10

Game 3 6:45 p.m.

1st v. Winner Game 1

Game 4 8 p.m.

Loser Game 1 v. Loser Game 2

Sat., March 11

Game 5 9 a.m.

Winner Game 3 v. Winner

Game 2

Game 6—10:30 a.m.

Loser Game 3 v. Winner

Game 4

PARKING

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also voiced concerns about parking at the center.

"The parking by the Safeway supermarket is really a problem because there are always a million cars over there," Goldberg said.

"Also, there is a problem with a strip of land that is privately owned at the Hanover Parkway entrance to the center. It hasn't been fixed because no one really owns it," he said.

Customers of the center also felt that parking is a big problem.

"I just find the shopping center can be crowded on weekends and for that reason I don't come here on weekends very often," Louise Boon, a local resident, said. "I think that Greenway Center is nice because there are a lot of economical stores here, but parking still remains a big problem," she said.

A spokesperson from Combined Properties, Linda Grier, stated that her company is very pleased with the "performance and viability" of the center but was receptive to the concerns about parking and traffic problems there.

"We would appreciate some maintenance of the entrance road to the center. With regard to the parking lot, we are examining schemes to re-orient certain portions, but at this stage it is preliminary and we are still investigating different avenues to take," Grier said.

Skilled Tradespeople Volunteers Needed

Christmas in April of Prince George's County has an urgent need for skilled trades volunteers. On Saturday, April 29, the volunteers will repair homes for approximately 100 of the county's neediest homeowners. Skilled tradespeople, especially carpenters, contractors, painters and plumbers can call 301-868-0957 if they can volunteer on April 29.

The Old Curmudgeon



"Soon the highest bidder on the Internet will select the candidate ... which isn't really new!"

Channel B-10 Schedule

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Tuesday & Thursday, March 7 & 9

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6:00 p.m. "Earth Café-Outdoor Air" Earth Café is a newly acquired, environmentally based series.

6:30 p.m. Greenbelt Theater Marquee Dedication

7:00 p.m. ACE Educator Awards 2000

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday 2 - 4 p.m., Tuesday 8 - 10 p.m.

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At the Library

Children's Programs

Monday, March 6, P.J. Storytime, 7 p.m. for ages 4-6.

Wednesday, March 8, BookKids Book Discussion Group, 3:30 p.m. for ages 8-12.

Thursday, March 9, Drop-In Storytime, 10:15 a.m., Ages 3-5. Toddler Time, 11:15 a.m., Two years-olds and parent or caregiver.

Exercise for Kids

Comes to Greenbriar

The "Kinderman" John Taylor will be at Greenbriar on Saturday, March 12 at 1 p.m. with his "Kinderdance Program" for children ages 3 to 12. This is a learning through movement program using rhythms, chants and dances to reinforce positive concepts in a fun and exciting way. Kinderdance stimulates the minds and bodies of children and motivates them to love learning.

John "Kinderman" Taylor has established Kinderdance curriculums for schools, day care centers, Head Start programs, and children's organizations nationwide.

This is a free event but those who wish to participate must contact Tina at 301-441-1096 by March 9.

Refreshments will be served after the program.

Greenbelt Elem. Has Multicultural Dinner

On Thursday, Feb. 10, everyone at Greenbelt Elementary School was invited to attend and celebrate the annual multicultural dinner exposition. This well attended potluck feast and show was held in the school cafeteria.

Leslie Ann Bird, the school music teacher, organized a variety of multicultural songs and a fashion show. This was video taped by the Greenbelt local access cable television station. Entertainers included musicians Joseph Lau, Kiet Tolbert, Jerriann King, Kierra Shinahult, Larrese Brown, Camri Henderson, and the following fashion models from kindergarten: Amaal Mustafa, Gina Lee, and Danielle Sherman along with her little brother.

Free Tax Assistance In Greenbelt Library

Volunteers trained by the Internal Revenue Service are providing free tax assistance to taxpayers who have low-income, are handicapped, elderly, non-English speaking, or members of the military.

In Greenbelt assistance will be given at the Greenbelt Library, 11 Crescent Road. Call 301-918-9595 to make an appointment. This site is for senior citizens and the handicapped and is handicapped accessible.

When visiting a site, bring the 1999 federal tax package which came in the mail; all wage and earnings statements from employers (Forms W-2); all interest and dividend statements (Forms 1099); a copy of federal tax return from last year, if available; the social security card of any dependent(s) who are claimed; and any other relevant information concerning one's income and expenses.

Volunteers are college students, homemakers, or members of professional, volunteer, community, and retiree organizations.

Community Events

Summer Job Fair

What are you doing this summer? The Greenbelt Department of Recreation is sponsoring its 4th Annual Summer Job Fair on Saturday, March 4, at Springhill Lake Recreation Center from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Teens and their families are welcome to attend this free event. For more information, contact Janet Goldberg at 301-397-2200 or 301-397-2212.

Hearing Devices Are Topic of Meeting

Members of Self Help for Hard of Hearing People, Prince George's County Group, will hold its next meeting Thursday, March 9, from 2-4 p.m. at the Greenbelt Community Center.

The presenter will be Gwyneth Newcomb, Bowie Hearing Center, whose topic is "Taking the Confusion Out of Hearing Aid Selection." She will describe the terms "analog," "digital," and "programmable" as they relate to hearing aid technology. Also included will be information on directional microphones to help cut down on background noise and "T" switches as they relate to assisted listening devices and use of the telephone.

All those interested are invited to attend the meeting on March 9 and bring their questions. For further information or directions call 301-474-0345.

Harlem Globetrotter to Be at Denny's

A member of the Harlem Globetrotters will visit the Denny's restaurant in Greenway Center at 7405 Greenbelt Road on Saturday, March 11. The appearance is part of the Harlem Globetrotters North American tour, which brings the entire team to play in the Washington, D.C., area a week after the appearance. Denny's is the title sponsor of the tour.

Roy "ZaZu" Byrd, a 6'4" guard for the team, will be at the Greenbelt Denny's from 3-4 p.m.

He will demonstrate ball handling techniques, sign autographs and share smiles with fans of all ages. Byrd is an explosive leaper, now in his second season with the team. "Stay focused and never let anyone knock you or distract you from your dream," he tells people.

"The Globetrotter's appearance is a way of bringing an exciting and talented athlete in closer contact with our customers," said Karen Brown, general manager of the Greenbelt Denny's. "He will provide a positive role model while bringing a lot of fun to our restaurant."

Denny's is hosting visits from Globetrotter team members in cities throughout the United States as part of its title sponsorship of the tour. The 1999-2000 tour is the second year of the three-year title sponsorship, and Denny's fifth year of involvement with the Globetrotters.

Maryland Symphony To Play at ERHS

Maximiano Valdes, principal conductor of the Asturias Symphony Orchestra in Spain, will conduct the University of Maryland Symphony Orchestra in a free concert on Friday, March 10 at 8 p.m. at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. The program will include Bernstein's On the Town and Schumann's Symphony no. 3 ("Rheinisch"). For more information call 301-405-7847.

Labor Day Festival Planning Begins

The Greenbelt Labor Day Festival will hold its first meeting on March 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Greenbelt Community Center. All committee members, and folks interested in volunteering are encouraged to attend. Some areas for which additional volunteers are sought are: publicity, carnival organization, and ticket booth coordinator.

The executive board has already held its first meeting and officers are excited about planning activities for a great year. It takes the work of many volunteers, city service organizations, and business sponsors to make the Festival a success. Please come out and attend the meeting. A place can be found for everybody of every specialty to get involved. For more information, call 301-441-1597.

Golden Age Club

by Ruth Huggins

President Bill

Souser presided over the February 23 meeting. He thanked Vice President Nick Pergola for taking over his duties while he and Arlene were in Florida enjoying the warm weather. Betty Petroff, Sunshine chair, sent out well wishes to Joe Rimar, Irene Hensel, Raymond Bailey, and Sue Sharp. Betty welcomed back Martha Kaufman. Ellie Rimar, Membership chair, introduced new members Virginia Nogel and Lawrence M. White.

The speaker, in lieu of Dr. Leslie Windman, was Dr. Michael Windman, with Windman Chiropractic in College Park. After an informative talk he answered questions from members.

Program chair Ernie Varda reminded everyone to mark their calendars for the month of March: March 1, Board/Business Meeting; March 8, speaker from Hearing Professional, Inc. Lisa Nelson; March 15, Birthday Party/St. Patrick's Day; March 22, Avery Gardens-Assisted Living (rescheduled due to inclement weather); March 29, Greenbelt Intergenerational Volunteer Exchange Service speaker Betty Petroff.

It was announced that University of Maryland's women's basketball team is playing their last game Saturday, March 4, at 1 p.m. and members were urged to support the team.

Don't forget to check with Travel chair John Taylor to see if seats are still available for the Charlie Prose trip and Nova Scotia trip.

Garden Club to Meet

The Greenbelt Home and Garden Club will meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 7. The meeting will take place in the conference room at Greenbelt Homes on Hamilton Place off Ridge Road. The guest speaker will be Margaret McKnew who will give tips on container gardening. Refreshments follow the meeting. Admission is free and the public is always invited.

Register for Summer Camp with the City

The Greenbelt Recreation Department's summer camp registration for Greenbelt residents begins Monday, March 6 at 9 a.m. Non-resident registration begins Monday, March 20. Registration can be done by mail, walk in, or drop off.

Look for the new camp pull-out section in the Spring 2000 recreation brochure for information on summer camp programs, or call 301-397-2200 for additional information.

The Recreation Department will be offering summer volunteer opportunities for young people aged 14 and up. Those who are interested in assisting with summer camp programs and like working with children should fill out a City of Greenbelt employment application and return it to the Recreation Department by April 14.

All volunteers are required to be interviewed and attend a mandatory orientation and training session.

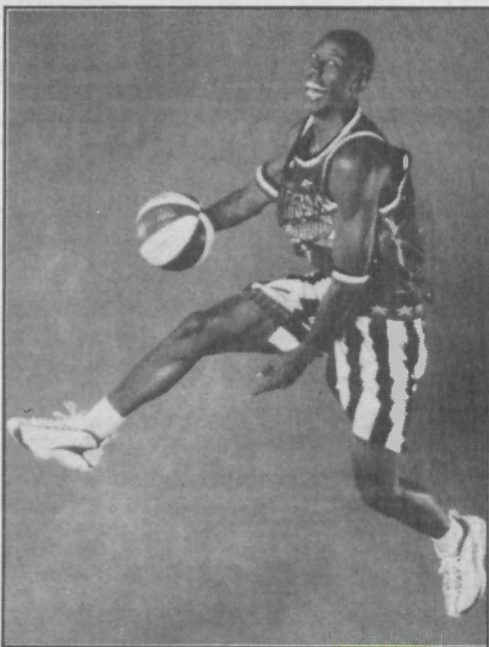
For additional information, contact the Greenbelt Recreation Department at 301-397-2200.

"Brigadoon" Is Free Movie

"Brigadoon" is the movie of the month at the Community Center, which will be shown on Monday, March 13, at 1 p.m., in the Senior Classroom.

The film, which features Gene Kelly, Van Johnson and Cyd Charisse, is a Broadway musical about two Americans, Kelly and Johnson, who discover a magical Scottish village that comes to life for one day every one hundred years.

Martha Kaufman, who serves as hostess of the event, says, "The music is delightful and the dancing by Kelly and Charisse is a joy to watch."



Harlem Globetrotter Roy "ZaZu" Byrd.
- photo courtesy of Denny's

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... For more information, see articles in this issue ...

Celtic Concerts

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Story Teller Trix Whitehall (Friday eve only);

Mac-Talla (Saturday evening only)



On January 18, Dr. Gerald Boorman, principal of Eleanor Roosevelt High School (ERHS) honored students as ERHS Students of Character. These young men and women have been expressly chosen by the staff and faculty for their demonstration of personal character. Respect, responsibility, integrity, honesty and kindness are

traits that these students demonstrate and model daily. They are (left to right) front: Tynia Fantroy, Darya Bobryakova, Natalie Gonzalez, Dr. Gerald Boorman, Ronique Cooper, Yalanda Dandridge, Angela Davis, Adekunle Oki. back: Mario Guzman, Oye Fasakin, Annece Flood.

- photo by Isaac Creek

Adams Music to Be Played at Maryland

Students and faculty of the University of Maryland School of Music's voice division will perform a recital of works by composer-in-residence Leslie Adams on Tuesday, March 7 at 12:15 p.m. in the Ulrich Recital Hall on the campus. Adams, composer of the opera, Blake, has worked in all media, including symphony, ballet, chamber, choral, instrumental and vocal solo, and keyboard. Admission is free and the public is invited to attend. For additional information call 301-405-5556 or e-mail concerts@deans.umd.edu.

Henry to Give Concert, Class

On Friday, March 10, at 8 p.m., Washington Bible College (WBC) will host pianist Sylvia Henry, from Ohio University. Dr. Henry is a soloist and chamber musician who has performed throughout the U.S., Europe, and China. She will give a piano recital featuring Edvard Grieg, and will also preside over a piano masterclass on Saturday morning, March 11, at 10 a.m., which will feature students from WBC. All events are free of charge and will be held in the Chapel in Miles Hall on the campus of Washington Bible College. For more information, call 301-552-1400 ext. 289.

Peace Week Theme Pervades Magnolia

by Dorothy Sucher

Peace at school was the theme at Magnolia Elementary School February 14 - 18, as the school celebrated Peace Week with a variety of activities. All 720 students in grades kindergarten through six participated in the week-long project, which was the special project of School Counselor Wendy Diemer. "It was a fun activity," said Diemer, who worked with a fifth grade leadership training committee consisting of five students on non-violent means of conflict resolution.

Peace was the theme of morning announcements over the loudspeaker, and each child wrote his or her name on a link of a paper chain that stretched the length of the corridor. Each day of the week had a peace-related theme, which was linked to a color. Red, on Monday, stood for love. White symbolized unity. Even the teachers got into the spirit of the event by wearing the designated color of each day. Friday was "pay a compliment day," in which children wrote positive statements about their classmates. Art projects included the creation of

"vanity license plates," with a peace theme.

The project was suggested by the Prince George's County School Board, and Diemer picked it up enthusiastically. A newcomer to the school system, Diemer, 26, has been at Magnolia since January 10. She received a Master's in counseling recently from Loyola College in Baltimore, is a newlywed, lives in Alexandria, and says, "I love kids." It looks like the students at Magnolia are lucky to have her.

Our Neighbors

Our sympathy to Keith, Tod, and Roy Chernikoff and their families on the death of their mother Lillian Chernikoff.



Catholic Community of Greenbelt MASS

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Greenbelt Baptist Church

St. Hugh's Awards Honors to Students

by Leslie Hilliard

Catholic Schools week, whose theme was "Lighting the Way to a new Century" ended Friday, February 4. Aside from yet another snow shower passing through the area, the day was marked by celebrating the academic achievements of St. Hugh's students. The Honors Award presentations were held at St. Hugh's on February 4 to recognize students in grades 5 through 8 who maintain grades of A or B. In addition to academic achievement, the Honor Award also encompasses attributes of respect, spirituality and responsibility.

Students achieving First Honors must maintain an A in every subject except one, where a B is permissible. Eighteen students received the distinction of First Honors. They are fifth grade: Stephanie Carey, Jeffery Grant, Harrison Hilliard, Justina Quick, Lauren Ryan and William Villard; sixth grade: Marie Crenwelge, Katherine Gessner, Lauren Kemp, Katherine Kimble, Caren Middaugh, Conor Real and Aubrey Schiavone; seventh grade: Abigail Bates, Nicholas Dobson, Samuel Marionni and Stephen Didion; eighth grade: Joseph Solari.

Students earning Second Honors must receive either an A or B in every core subject. Twenty-one students received the distinction of Second Honors. They are fifth grade: Eva Connors, Megan Didion, Alexandra Lopez, Kelsey Shaffer, Justin Van DenBossche, and Rita Wade; sixth grade: Brian Anyadike, Nathaniel Carrera, Vincent DeRight, Sarah Loutsch, Richardo Ruiz-Soto, and Samantha Treacy; seventh grade: Karen Garcia, Neal Marcelo, Gabriel Storck, Ajay Narayanan and Tristan Guha-Gilford; eighth grade: Luciana Amodeo, Jonathon Loutsch, Dennis Marcelo and Kurt Mooney.

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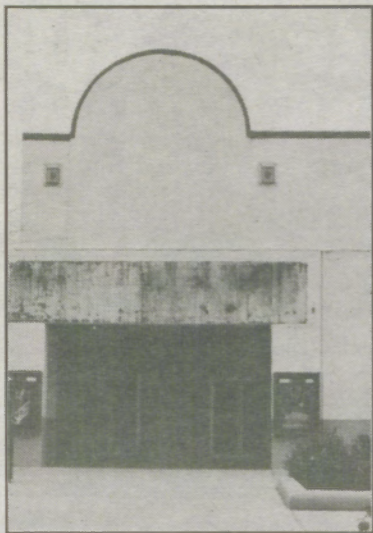
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10 am Education for all ages

11 am Sung Service



Ready and waiting.
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The new signs arrive by truck.

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Billy Poole of Jack Stone Sign Company leans on the Greenbelt sign whose letters he hand-manufactured. Projectionist Bob Haupt holds letter from original sign.

- photo by Mary Moien

THEATER

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were present when the thrater opened in 1938, and there's more clapping for the five who appear. I'm one of the group who steps forward. The others are Lucille Howell, June Zollner Rousseau, Joanne Slaughter Kelleher and Shirley Morrison Clute.

It's time to light the marquee. She tells the audience to yell "OLD GREENBELT!" at the moment of lighting, and we do, vigorously. There is sustained applause now for the beautiful green on white GREENBELT sign with its art deco neon tubing, and more than a few teary eyes.

Then it's time for the Shirley Temple look-alike contest. The judges gather around the aspiring children, but soon the mayor announces that "the judges simply couldn't decide from among so many beautiful contestants." She declares all of them winners. We clap gratefully, and the crowd moves slowly toward the open doors behind the box office for the free showing of "Little Miss Broadway" with the original Shirley Temple.

Amazing: a lot of people are moving to enter this theater at once, but there's no pushing, no rudeness of any kind from this jovial crowd.

I go inside, intending to stand in the back for ten minutes or so. The theater holds 450, and every seat is taken. All eyes are on the screen. A rapt, mannerly audience claps at the end of a "Coming Attraction" for a 1938-era cowboy movie starring Gene Autry, and claps again at the end of an ancient Terry Toon cartoon. All is in black and white on a screen which has been squared off with black curtains from its normal Cinemascope size.

And then, ah! The Shirley Temple movie! Talented Shirley, looking to be about eight dimpled years old, is taken out of an orphanage. She links up with some show-biz types, and before you know it, there she is, twinkling and doing a beautiful tap dance on a marble floor with an amazingly young and slim George Murphy (later Senator from California). The film print is excellent — no blurriness or bad sound. It's 35 mm. film, Sanchez says.

I could stand there forever, admiring the amazing Shirley and her exquisitely-made little dresses, except that after 45 minutes or so, my feet start to hurt. I go home happy — cheered by the Shirley Temple that once was, and pleased to live in a little city that knows how to do some things absolutely perfectly.



The crane places the signs in front of the theater, where they sat for several hours.

photo by Steve Catterton

Winter Programs at Patuxent

All programs are free, but require advance registration. Registration is conducted Tuesday-Thursday from 1 to 4 p.m. by calling 301-497-5887. Please advise the facility of any special needs. For program listings, visit website: patuxent.fws.gov which also lists upcoming events.

North Tract

The following programs are held at the North Tract which is located on Rt. 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 32 in Laurel.

Weather Wizards — Saturday, March 11, 10:30-11:30 a.m., and 1-2 p.m., ages 10+. Explore the effects of weather on the environment, especially acid rain.

Going Batty — Friday, March 17, 10:30-11:30 a.m., ages 8 and older. Discover the myths surrounding bats and the beneficial role they play in the environment.

Raptors

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Visitor Center

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Seth Celebrates Leap Day Birthday

by Dorothy Sucher

The highlight of the Greenbelt social calendar this week was undoubtedly the Leap Day Birthday Celebration at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, February 29 – when else? If you missed it, you were out of luck. You didn't get to see guest of honor Seth Flanagan, 4 (although this was only his first official birthday), and all his best friends from the Greenbelt Nursery School, as they sat on the floor of the multipurpose room in the Community Center and flapped an enormous multi-colored parachute into the air until it formed a large bell under which you could run, shrieking.

You also missed meeting proud parents Melanie and Rick Flanagan. Both are teachers, he in Prince George's County and she in Montgomery County.

Like all the trendiest parties, this one had a theme – in this case a "leapfrog" theme. Guests played Pin the Frog on the Lily Pad and later battered a frog pinata until it disgorged its contents. A bubble-making machine was also in evidence.

Seth's mom said she was very impressed with the supportiveness



Henry II (Rich Fogg), the powerful, crafty king of England, woos young Alais (Allison Payne), while his equally clever wife Eleanor (Greenbelter Millie Ferrara) plots his downfall in the Prince George's Little Theatre production of "The Lion in Winter." The play will be given at the Publick Playhouse weekends from March 10 through March 25. Other Greenbelters are Keith Brown, director, and Ian Rogers.

- photo by G.W. Meredith

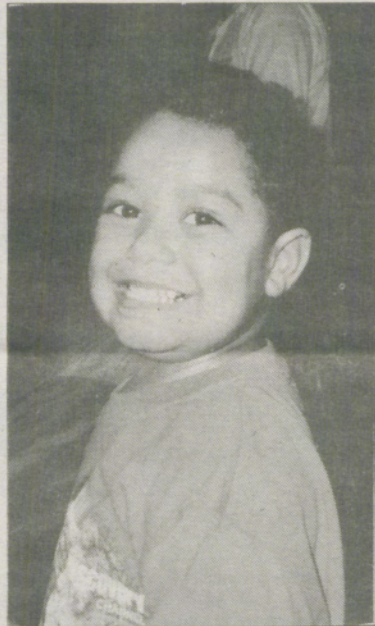
Park Celebrates Work of Early Woman Leader

March is Women's History Month. As part of its tribute to women, the National Park Service at Kenilworth Park and Aquatic Gardens, will celebrate the accomplishments of its original co-owner, L. Helen Fowler and her influence on local area garden clubs. Throughout the month of March, the park will showcase an exhibit of Fowler's original watercolor paintings of the beautiful flowers of the aquatic gardens.

The park will also exhibit the work of the Eastland Gardens Community Garden Club. All exhibits will be on display at the park's visitor center.

Kenilworth Park and Aquatic Gardens is the only national park devoted to the propagation and cultivation of aquatic plants. The park is also home to small wildlife, including beaver, frogs, turtles and waterfowl. It is also an outdoor classroom for students studying science and environmental

boy, who flew in just for the party because she "wouldn't miss it for anything." There was, of course, a birthday cake with candles. However, since this was an equal opportunity party, each child also received his or her own cupcake, complete with candle to be blown out. Happy Birthday, Seth – see you in four years!



Seth Flanagan, age 4, celebrated his "first" birthday on February 29 with the help of his friends from the Greenbelt Nursery School.

- photo courtesy of Greenbelt Nursery School

of the Greenbelt Nursery School parents, some of whom were present. There were also a cheering section of silver-haired ladies from Green Ridge House and a special guest, Dr. Karen King, the godmother of the birthday

POLICE BLOTTER

Based on information released by the Greenbelt Police Department. Dates and times are those when police were first contacted about incidents.

Sexual Assault

7800 block of Mandan Road, Feb. 22, 10:44 p.m., a female was in the hallway of her condominium building when a man walked up to her, fondled her, and then fled. The suspect is described as a black male in his late twenties, 5'10", with a medium build, black hair, and a thin mustache. He was wearing a long black leather jacket and a dark baseball-type cap.

Weapon

Beltway Plaza Mall, Feb. 19, 9:02 p.m., a 15-year-old male nonresident was arrested for possession of a deadly weapon after he was stopped along with a group of other youths during a theft investigation. He was found to be in possession of a loaded BB pistol; he was transported to Juvenile Intake pending action by the juvenile justice system.

Driving while Intoxicated

16 court of Ridge Road, Feb. 17, 7:33 p.m., a 45-year-old male resident was arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated and driving under the influence as a result of an investigation of a traffic accident. He was released on citation pending trial.

6000 block of Greenbelt Road, Feb. 24, 12:11 a.m., a 22-year-old male nonresident was arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated and driving under the influence after he was stopped for a traffic violation. He was released on citation pending trial.

Burglary and Theft

Safeway in Greenway Shopping Center, Feb. 20, 2:41 p.m., a 40-year-old female nonresident was arrested and charged with assault and theft after she was observed by the victim, a store manager, attempting to steal merchandise. When the manager confronted the woman, she struck the manager in the face. The assailant was kept at the store by other employees until police arrived. She was released to the Department of Corrections for a hearing before a district court commissioner.

7300 block of Wintergreen Court, Feb. 23, 11:29 p.m., entry was attempted, but not gained, by trying to force open a sliding glass door.

Vehicle Crimes

The following vehicles were reported stolen: a white and green 1996 Ford Bronco with Maryland tags 861556M, Feb. 19, from the 6600 block of Lake Park Drive, and a blue four-door 1983 Chevrolet Caprice with Maryland tags FZX732, Feb. 19, from the 6000 block of Springhill Drive.

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SUPER TUESDAY

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in the Maryland Assembly, is running as a delegate for Bradley. In the races for U. S. Senator and Congressman, long-time incumbents Paul S. Sarbanes and Steny H. Hoyer are expected to hold on comfortably to their respective offices. Sarbanes, of Baltimore, is pitted against Sidney Altman and George English in the Democratic primary. Both challengers are from Montgomery County. Sarbanes served in the House of Representatives from 1970 to 1976 and in the Senate from 1976 to the present. If reelected, Sarbanes will be the first Democratic U. S. Senator from Maryland to serve five six-year terms. Sidney Altman was an elected alternate delegate to the Democratic Convention in 1968. George English is a retired National Ocean Service economist.

Republican Senate Candidates

Nine candidates are vying to be the top vote-getter in the Republican Senate contest. Robin Ficker has experience in the Maryland Legislature. Howard David Greyber is a physicist whose experience includes serving as a National Science Foundation professor. Ross Z. Pierpont, M.D., a perennial candidate, has experience as president of Gempco and Gempco Direct. Paul H. Rappaport was with the Maryland State Police for 28 years and served in the Marine Corps in Vietnam. Kenneth Timmerman's experience includes being a reporter with the American Spectator. Lastly, Ken Wayman was vice-chair of the Maryland State Republican Party in 1999.

Congressional Representative Candidates

An attorney, Hoyer has been representing the Fifth Congressional District since 1981. A member of the Appropriations Committee in Congress, he earlier served in the Maryland State Senate where he was elected president in 1975. Residing in St. Mary's County, Hoyer is being challenged in the district by Democrat Bruce M. Ross, an elementary school teacher from Prince George's County. The winner will face Republican Thomas E. "Tim" Hutchins of Charles County in the November general election. Hutchins is unopposed in the primary.

The Fifth Congressional District includes only a part of Prince George's County, primarily areas outside the Beltway, the southern part of Anne Arundel County, and all of Charles, St. Mary's and Calvert Counties. Boundaries for the district were greatly changed following the 1990 census and the district is now considered more conservative than before the redistricting.

Judgeship Contests

Republican and Democratic party members will also be choosing judges of the Circuit Court for the Seventh Judicial District. There are five incumbents and one challenger running for the five judicial offices. All six candidates have cross-filed in both party primaries and are running as nonpartisan. If both parties nominate the same five, those candidates will not be subjected to a contested election in November. In effect, they will have been elected to office. But if one party chooses different candidates from the other, voters will

have choices to make in November.

The five incumbent judges are Herman C. Dawson of Mitchellville, an associate judge for the seventh Judicial Circuit since December 1998; G. R. Hovey Johnson of Bowie, an associate judge since 1982; Maureen M. Lamasney of Greenbelt, associate judge since December 1998; Ronald David Schiff of University Park, judge for the seventh since November 1999 (District Court judge for four years), and Michael Patrick Whalen of Bowie, judge in both the District and Circuit Courts.

Challenger Xavier A. Aragona, an attorney, of Fort Washington served as a member of the House of Delegates from 1966 to 1970 and as town attorney for Seat Pleasant and Capitol Heights.

Potpourri

Prince George's County has

Studio Space Slots Open for Visual Artists

On March 1, the Greenbelt Department of Recreation began accepting applications from visual artists, artisans, and de-

a total of 199 precincts — 90 in the Fifth Congressional District. Also in the Fifth are 29 precincts in Anne Arundel County, 15 precincts in Calvert, 28 precincts in Charles and 19 precincts in St. Mary's.

The population of Prince George's County is 781,760 as of January 1999. In Greenbelt there are about 21,000 residents.

The Prince George's County Board of Elections will have unofficial election results on the internet on election night after 11 p.m. — <http://www.co.pg.md.us/election>.

(Judy Ransom Bell also contributed to this story.)

signers interested in obtaining studio space at the Greenbelt Community Center. Artists actively working in any medium are welcome to apply, provided that they are residents of Prince George's County. A panel of arts professionals will review all applications.

Studio space will be awarded based on the merit of the artist's work and the applicants' interest in creative community involvement. Greenbelt residents will receive preference during the selection process. Applications are due by April 20 and studios will be available July 1.

Applications and brochures concerning the Artist in Residence Program are available at the Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road. For additional information call Nicole DeWald, arts coordinator, at 301-474-8000.

Greenbelt Unofficial Primary Registration Figures (2/00)

Precinct & Polling Place	Democrats	Republicans	Declines/Others*	Libertarian	Total
21-3 Community Center	1,550	416	426	6	2,398
21-6 Greenbelt Elementary	1,278	463	346	0	2,087
21-8 Springhill Lake Elementary	1,254	140	359	0	1,753
21-13 Eleanor Roosevelt High	2,401	610	686	2	3,699
Total Greenbelt	6,483	1,629	1,817	8	9,937
5th Congressional District	103,477	40,222	26,954	85	170,738
Prince George's County	271,778	59,199	54,255	121	385,353
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Applications for the FY2001 grant program are now available at the Prince George's Arts Council office. The deadline to submit proposals is Friday, March 24, at 5 p.m.

Dystonia Support Group Will Meet

The Dystonia Support Group will meet on Sunday, March 12, at 1 p.m. in the National Institutes of Health, Building 31C, sixth floor, Conference Room 6. Tim Daly of Access Travel will speak about travel for the disabled. Current dystonia issues will also be discussed during the meeting. Call 301-776-6747 for more information.

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by Dorothy Sucher
Maybe Greenbelter Marge Bergemann didn't win the million-dollar Pillsbury Bake-Off contest, but she was definitely a contender. Bergemann was one of the 100 finalists at the Tuesday, February 29, judging in San Francisco, which was televised by CBS. Clearly her Chewy Chocolate Peanut Butter

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Marge Wins Two Grand at Pillsbury Bake-Off

Bars must have appealed to the judges, for she made the first cut and was named one of the top 16 contestants, thereby winning a \$2,000 award. At the announcement she could be glimpsed, clapping her hands to her cheeks, rather like that painting "The Scream," except more cheerful. Of course all the finalists had already received a brand-new General Electric oven.

Alas, things went downhill after that. Bergemann's name was not among the four contestants who won \$10,000, and as for the million dollar first prize — fuhgeddaboutit.

Local Interest High

Public interest in the contest has run high in Greenbelt. Bergemann could not go to the Post Office without being badgered for free samples. This reporter was approached by several citizens in the Co-op, clamoring for news of her progress. Greenbelter Barbara Havekost, who wandered into the News Review office as our deadline

approached, was probably typical when she stated, "Although I don't really know Marge, I put the Bake-Off on my calendar to watch it, because we had a local person competing and I thought it was so exciting. I think I was more excited than she was!"

Two thousand dollars is real money. Maybe it will get Bergemann to Paris to visit her daughter as she had hoped. Still, speaking as one who has sampled several Chewy Chocolate Peanut Butter Bars, this reporter is compelled to say: "Marge, you wuz robbed!"

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Greenbelt Station

Developer Proposes State Buy Sensitive Lands

by Virginia Beauchamp

In two meetings on Wednesday, February 23, Richard "Chip" Reed took different groups of local officials through a virtual walk-through of environmentally sensitive portions of the site of the projected Greenbelt Station. He did it by means of a slide show that included maps of the property with specific places marked with numbers, and with photographs of the actual land keyed to each of these numbered spots.

Reed is a member of the law firm of Wilkes, Artis, Hedrick & Lane, which represents Metroland Developers LLC, including the A. H. Smith property. They have been working with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) in hopes of converting the present Greenbelt Metro station property and the Smith tract into what has been described as an upscale retail mall and mixed-use development.

The first of the two meetings took place at 1 p.m. in Upper Marlboro and was hosted by Prince George's County Councilmembers Tom Hendershot and Audrey Scott. Representatives of each of the Four Cities consortium (Greenbelt, Berwyn Heights, College Park and New Carrollton) had been invited to attend, as well as representatives of the Committee to Conserve and Restore Indian Creek (CCRIC). Mayor Judith Davis and City Manager Michael McLaughlin attended on behalf of the City of Greenbelt.

The second meeting, which occurred at 7:30 p.m., was hosted by New Carrollton. Since it was a regularly scheduled Four Cities meeting, many more people, including municipal council members, attended. CCRIC representative Kate Spencer, the group's president, attended both meetings.

The Slide Show

What Reed was showing in his series of pictures were those portions of both the WMATA and Smith tracts along Indian Creek, including the braided streams, that have been designated as flood plain and wetlands. Other pictures showed storm sewer run-off sites and environmentally damaged land, including what is generally referred to as "the cement mountain." This is an area on the Smith property where cement trucks over the years have dumped the residue of their cargo to wash out the interiors of their drums.

Overall, Reed's pictures il-

lustrated the portion of the combined tracts — some 111 acres — that have been proposed to be set aside for environmental preservation. Reed said he had believed two weeks earlier that Metroland and CCRIC were close to agreeing on a compromise position concerning the land involved, with which they could approach the state. Since then, however, CCRIC has pulled back to a position that they "would not oppose" Metroland's request for state purchase of 77 acres of the environmentally sensitive land.

Augmented by another 30 acres to be donated by Metroland, this purchase by the state would create most of the undisturbed or reclaimed land that Reed's principal map of the property, in its projected development, showed in green.

Not included in this environmental set-aside, however, were two pieces of land in contention with CCRIC — the Metro stormwater management pond and the failed mitigation area at the south end of the Metro tract. That area, which was supposed to make up for the loss of wetlands north of the Beltway when the Metro service yard was created, was too elevated, Reed's picture showed, for water to flow into it.

Additional Donation

To the 30 acres already promised, Metroland also was willing to donate for rehabilitation the seven acres of the cement mountain, which lies near the southeastern end of the Smith tract behind a separate parcel belonging to another company altogether, the Cement Institute. The state of the cement mountain parcel, with its accumulated deposits, raised the question, which Greenbelt Councilmember Edward Putens immediately asked: "Who would be responsible for getting rid of it?" Reed replied, "The developer would be willing to participate."

Not to be included in the environmental set-aside, Reed urged, was a 2.6-acre parcel near the railroad track that has been designated wetland by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Reed, in showing a photograph of this site, described it as scrub shrub wetlands. On the day the picture was taken, it indeed seemed an unprepossessing tract covered with long brownish grass. Reed stressed that this parcel would be of crucial importance in bridging between the two segments of the developable land, that on

the WMATA tract and that on the Smith property.

New Concept

At the end of the series of slides he showed a possible design for a revised development on the two properties—something more akin to a "main street" look, with an east-west and a north-south street intersecting on the WMATA tract. Possible department stores or possible commercial or residential highrise buildings, interspersed among lower buildings, were still part of the vision, though the idea of a covered mall has been abandoned.

Some kind of a residential village for senior citizens is still envisioned for the southern end of the tract. Connecting these two areas would be a road across the disputed 2.6-acre wetland tract near the railroad.

If a piece of wetlands is released for development by federal law it must be mitigated for at twice its size. Darryl Lofgren, a council representative for Berwyn Heights, insisted that such mitigation must take place on-site, to which Reed acceded. (This has become an issue since mitigation for wetlands to be taken for the widening of Kenilworth Avenue north of its intersection with Cherrywood Lane has been designated for the Paint Branch golf course property, in a wholly different watershed.)

Four Cities Response

At the end of Reed's presentation, Davis asked: "What do you want the four cities to think about?" Reed answered that according to his understanding, the state was ready to move forward with the request for funds to purchase 77 acres of the property for environmental preservation. This was contingent, however, on a compromise being worked out among the various interested parties. The state needed "feedback" from the three towns adjacent to the property, Reed said. He hoped that by March 8 they would be able to send a communication in the form of a letter to the governor's assistant.

Since College Park's city council was not even scheduled to meet until March 8, several people present insisted that such a deadline could not be met. All three cities would have to meet singly, and some sort of joint expression then worked out.

"If we supplied such a letter," Davis asked, "what kind of bargaining chip would we have left? How would we know that you'll still continue

ACE Forum to Feature Superintendent Metts

by Nelda Young

If a gathering is to be successful, it must be well planned. On February 22 the members of the Advisory Committee on Education (ACE) prepared for the upcoming Citizens Forum featuring Prince George's County Superintendent of Schools Iris T. Metts. The public is invited to attend the forum at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, March 14, in the Greenbelt City Council Chambers.

Upon arrival attendees will be greeted with light refreshments and have the opportunity to meet Dr. Metts, as well as local and neighboring community ACE members. After be-

to work with us?"

Richard Conti, College Park city manager, affirmed the point. "Who will be the owner of the property in the future?" Some kind of covenants would be in order, Davis suggested.

Reed promised that if the suggested letter went forward from the three cities, the Metroland developers would continue talking with CCRIC to work out details on the environmental issues. Kate Spencer, president of CCRIC, conceded that according to a state official she had spoken with, the possibility of the state purchase of the 77 acres was dependent on the continued presence of major development elsewhere on the property.

At this point an official from one of the other municipalities spoke up: "I think we should take advantage of this opportunity for state money (for environmental preservation). Otherwise the property reverts to its industrial zoning designation."

ing introduced by ACE Chair Leta Mach, Metts will address written questions posed by the committee.

These questions are expected to be addressed by Metts at the meeting.

What are Metts' goals for the local schools and how does she propose implementing those improvements?

How will the cluster boundaries affect the crowding in local high schools and eventually throughout the elementary and middle schools?

What effect will the proposed budget changes have on the Greenbelt schools? For example, will it increase or decrease the number of teachers? Create new reading programs? Improve math instruction?

How does Metts propose attracting and keeping the best Maryland teachers in Prince George's County?

How does she propose preventing and handling violence in the schools?

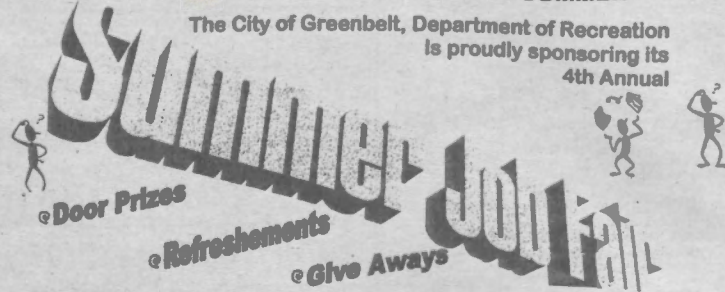
After Metts' formal remarks, questions will be taken from the floor. The public will have an opportunity to speak informally with the guests after the meeting adjourns. Additional refreshments will be offered at that time.

Note: The multi-community advisory committee meeting in Bowie has been postponed to a yet-to-be determined date in May. All of the Advisory Committees on Education in the county have been invited to attend this meeting.



WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO THIS SUMMER?

The City of Greenbelt, Department of Recreation
is proudly sponsoring its
4th Annual



Stop by and pick up information, resources and applications for:

- ☒ Super Summer Employment Opportunities
- ☒ Student Service Volunteer Positions
- ☒ Greenbelt Moving Ahead Program (GMA)

Where: Springhill Lake Recreation Center
When: Saturday, March 4th, 2000
Time: 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Teens and their families are welcome to attend this FREE event!

For more information, please contact Janet Goldberg at
301-397-2200 or 301-397-2212.



PRELIMINARY AGENDA MEETING OF GHI BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, March 9, 2000 • 7:30 p.m.

GHI Board Room

Key Agenda Items

- ◆ Bylaw Changes Recommended for Annual Meeting 2000
- Discussion

Regular Board meetings are open to members.



City of Greenbelt COMMUNITY MEDIATION BOARD

The City of Greenbelt has re-established a Community Mediation Board under the auspices of the Prince George's County Human Relations Commission. This Board is comprised of city residents who have volunteered to receive mediation training and be available to mediate disputes between neighbors.

Mediation consists of a step by step problem solving process that results in the involved parties agreeing on a fair solution. Mediation serves as an alternative to litigation and brings both parties to the table on an equal basis. A mediator does not act as an advocate of either party. He/she reserves judgment and does not voice opinion.

Types of problems mediated may be noisy neighbors, barking dogs, trespassing children, blocked driveways, family feuds, littering, loitering, neighboring property neglect, small claims matters, etc.

Mediation services will be available at the Greenbelt Community Center on the second Tuesday and fourth Wednesday of each month. Any Greenbelt citizen who wishes to make use of this free service should call the Human Resources Officer, City of Greenbelt, 301-345-7203.